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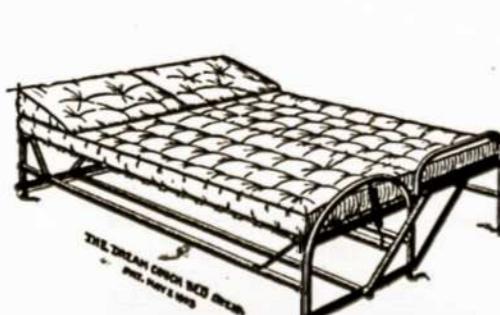
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OPTOMETRIST OPTICIAN
Main Office, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.
Will visit Northfield every month**

Northfield

Evangeline
Our public schools will reopen next Monday morning.

Mrs. D. Everett Lyman is suffering with an attack of bronchitis.

The 14-months' old son of F. Leslie Tyler is quite seriously ill with quinsy.

Tell your friends about the story we shall begin to publish in the issue of April 8. See announcement on second page.

Evangeline has come to town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Williams entertained few friends at a social evening Friday.

Mrs. E. C. Traver has gone to Boston where her husband is manager of a large drug store.

Mrs. Lucy Harvey and granddaughter, Dorothy Hammond, returned to their home in Gill last Tuesday.

Evangeline is all right!

Fred L. Proctor recently lost a valuable horse, one of his pair of sorrels that were being wintered in Warwick.

The ladies of the Unitarian church will give their forty-first annual supper for the benefit of C. W. Mattoon on the evening of March 31.

The Marquand students were absent from church last Sunday, being quarantined because of pink eye.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Moody have been visiting in New York.

F. W. Doane spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Williamstown.

Mrs. Fitt and Emma have gone to New York for Easter.

Miss Alice Varley has gone to New York for a visit.

Evangeline has made a fine impression.

Mrs. Phipps has returned to her home on Highland Avenue.

The Misses Hull and Mr. Martin Hull have gone to New York to attend the wedding of their brother, Dr. Edward Hull, on Sunday.

Mrs. Mabel Richards of Lock Village is visiting her mother, Mrs. Harwood Proctor.

Mrs. T. R. Callender has gone to Allston to recuperate.

Mr. Cutting goes to Brattleboro next Saturday, where he has taken employment.

Do you know Evangeline?

F. W. Williams is the proud father of a new son, born last Saturday morning. Here's to Dean Winthrop Williams.

A party of our Sir Knights expect to attend a Commandery meeting in Orange tonight.

Harold Randall, Ethel Leavis, Ruth Moore, Ida Leavis, Norman Long and Marion George of our High School, leave this evening for Bellows Falls to join the seniors of the Bellows Falls high school for a trip to Washington, D. C. They will be gone ten days.

Earl Field and family have rented Mrs. Mead's apartments.

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Our New Serial Story.

We have secured the right to publish as a serial, beginning with the issue of April 8, a remarkable story by Cleveland Moffett, entitled "Through the Wall." It is a story which we believe every one of our readers will enjoy from start to finish. He is a good guesser who can fathom its mystery before reading the last chapter. There is a murder in the tale, but it is not a grievesome yarn. The exciting adventures attending the unravelling of the mystery will keep your eyes glued to the print. It is a story also of woman's devotion. The scene is laid in Paris. Its leading character is a detective who threatens the laurels of Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes. The story will be well illustrated and we confidently expect that our subscribers will be more than pleased with it. Do not miss the opening chapters two weeks from today, and tell your neighbors so that instead of borrowing your paper to read it, they may quite properly become subscribers themselves.

Evangeline, oh, Evangeline,
To know you is to love you!

April magazines at the PRESS STORE.
Bert Preston is visiting friends in Worcester.

In the new telephone directory "H. V. Mead, 26-16" should read H. V. Martineau.

A. M. Solandt has taken possession of the south half of Mrs. N. F. Alexander's house, corner Main St. and Warwick Ave.

Noel Scofield, son of Dr. C. I. Scofield, is visiting in Northfield.

Fay Carpenter went to South Ashfield on Monday for a week's visit with his aunt, Mrs. H. A. Leland.

Floyd Putnam of Cambridge, Vermont spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kidder. Mrs. Emerson Putnam, Mrs. Kidder's mother, is also here for a visit.

Mr. Keet has three new Ford autos on sale.

H. C. Parsons was here last week looking after his property.

George N. Kidder's 10 day special sale is proving to be a great success. It lasts until April 1. There are many genuine bargains well worth investigating by anyone who desires housefurnishings.

Mrs. Gussie Sheldon Clarke and her son George of Boston visited Mrs. Leon Alexander last week.

Miss Emily Foster of Leyden, Mass., has been visiting in town the past week.

Last Wednesday the number of cars sent east bound through the Hoosac Tunnel was 1102. This is the record for one day.

Dr. and Mrs. Phipps of Cincinnati, Ohio, have purchased, through Elliott W. Brown, the beautiful Cedar Lawn Cottage of Mr. Alonzo Alford at Bernardston.

A most interesting article telling of the thirteenth General Census may be found on page 2.

A unique Easter advertisement may be seen in the window of the East Northfield Bookstore in shape of a matronly hen and nine chickens, hatched the 22nd.

Mrs. Williams Dickinson will offer at auction next Thursday at 1 p. m. in West Northfield, household goods, farming utensils, harnesses, machinery etc. for broom business. J. T. Cummings will be the auctioneer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Clapp gave a party to about 15 young girls yesterday in honor of the 13th birthday of their daughter Hazel.

Hoagland and Lazelle are doing some fine inside decorating for Mrs. David Ball.

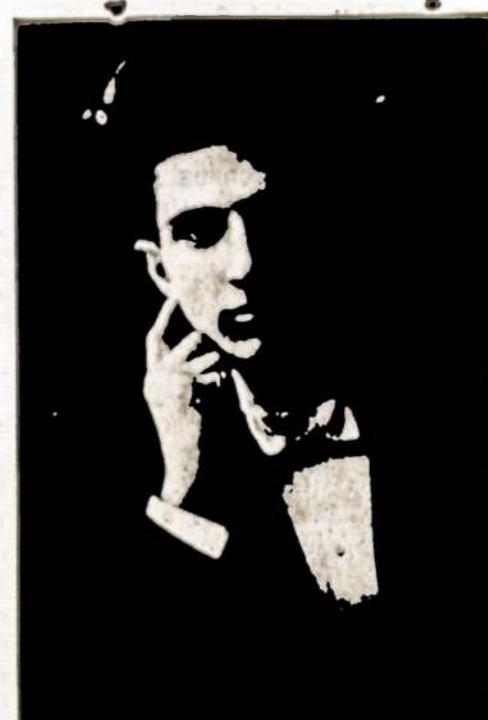
Everybody should attend the Sugar Supper to be given by the Ladies of the O. E. S. this (Friday) evening in Masonic Hall.

Alton R. Miner has bought the W. C. Marvel farm in west Gill, where he expects to engage in market gardening.

Gill

The many friends of Mrs. Lucy Lawlis will be grieved to learn of the loss of her eldest son, Edward Raymond, whose death on March 23 at the home of his grandfather, Chandler Munn, followed an operation for appendicitis. He was eleven years old. The funeral will be held this (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mt. Hermon Concert



ARTHUR RAY SPESSARD

A musical treat is in store for everyone next Monday evening when the Mt. Hermon musical societies will give a concert in Town Hall. Mar. 23 The numbers will be rendered by Glee Club, Orchestra, Brass Quartette, Violin Trio etc.

The program in full is as follows:

Selection, "Red Mill" Victor Herbert ORCHESTRA

Hark, The Trumpet Calleth GLEE CLUB

College Medley MANDOLIN CLUB

Glory to God MR. SPESSARD

Mia Cara Waltz HAMMERSTEIN ORCHESTRA

Annie Laurie GLEE CLUB

Andante, "Surprise Symphony" HAYDN Three Violins and Piano

Piano, MISS BERRY; Violin A, MR. BENEDICT; Violin B, MR. TOLMAN; Violin C, MR. DOREMUS.

Reading Selected MR. SPESSARD

Sextette, "Lucia" DONIZETTI ORCHESTRA

Honey, I Wants Yer Now GLEE CLUB

Good night, Beloved PINSUTI BRASS QUARTETTE

W. R. JENKINS, J. S. BOVILL, H. C. MARGETTS AND W. B. JENKINS

Battle Hymn from "Rienzi" WAGNER GLEE CLUB WITH ORCHESTRA

Admission 25 cts. Free Busses from East Northfield.

The Fortnightly

The many members present at the Fortnightly meeting on Monday afternoon were abundantly entertained. Following interesting current events B. F. Field sang a French love song.

"The Four Louis Who Precipitated the French Revolution" was the subject assigned to Mrs. Elliott W. Brown and her assistants. Miss Corser read an excellent paper on Louis XIII. To Mrs. Mary I. Smith was assigned the ich et enormous subject of Louis XIV.

Mrs. Laura Field read an interesting paper on the origin and history of the national song, "The Marseillaise," which was composed during the reign of Louis XIV but not adopted as the national song until about thirty years ago.

The singing of "The Marseillaise" in French by Mr. Field in a magnificent manner immediately after this paper, was heartily appreciated and enjoyed. Louis XV was then introduced by Mrs. Nellie G. Randall, and Mrs. Brown closed the program with a splendid paper on Louis XVI, upon whose head fell the punishment of centuries, the French Revolution.

During a brief intermission Mrs. Ella M. Lazelle took up a collection amounting to four dollars for the Flower Mission of the W. C. T. U. in Boston.

The next meeting, on April 4th, will be the annual business meeting, and a full attendance is desired. By vote of the Fortnightly the Musical, which is scheduled for May 2d, will be held in the new Music hall at the Seminary

Local news continued on page 8.

THE THIRTEENTH GENERAL CENSUS

Uncle Sam About to Ask Questions of His Family.

TO GET AT THE ACTUAL FACTS

Taking the Decennial Census a Tremendous Undertaking and a Colossal Expense, but Necessary to the Proper Conduct of Our Vast Domain.

OLD DR. U. S. CENSUS will begin making his thirteenth diagnosis of the condition of Uncle Sam and his family April 15 next. He made the first in 1790 and has been repeating it every ten years since. Uncle Sam has footed the bills, to date amounting to about \$47,000,000. Our venerable dad has calculated that the thirteenth investigation will cost about \$13,000,000, so that when old Dr. U. S. Census finishes his current work there will have been spent about \$60,000,000 for this purpose since 1790.

The twelfth census cost about \$13,000,000, and as Uncle Sam's landed



DIRECTOR E. DANA DURAND.

possessions have increased since then and his family gained about 15,000,000 more members than belonged to it in 1900 it would be considered no more than fair if the present diagnosis were to call for the spending of about \$19,000,000, which would be the sum of the rate of increase of expense at each census up to the twelfth were to be maintained for the thirteenth.

A census expert has estimated that of the \$13,000,000 the headquarters of the force will earn \$4,500,000, the enumerators \$4,500,000, the supervisors \$910,000 and the special agents \$700,000. The administrative cost will be \$300,000, the stationery \$200,000, rent \$125,000, tabulating machines \$250,000, cards for tabulation processes \$100,000, printing \$500,000, Alaska \$55,000, Porto Rico \$160,000; total, \$12,930,000.

If that is all the expense it is cheap. The late General Francis A. Walker, who was a census authority greater than any other, living or dead, once wrote that "the people of the United States can well afford to pay for the very best census they can get." He penned this in connection with frank confession of his own shortsightedness in underestimating the cost of the tenth census.

It's the old story—when you are ill get the best doctor you can afford.

The comparative cheapness with which the thirteenth census will be taken will be largely due to Director E. Dana Durand's economic methods, to the introduction of semiautomatic electrical card punching, tabulating and sorting machines and to the inheritance of wisdom from the experience gained by the permanent census bureau.

Modern Methods For Accuracy.

Mr. Durand is responsible for many of the new methods to increase statistical accuracy at every step of the census taking and to decrease the per capita cost of the enumeration. The card punching, tabulating and sorting machinery is the invention of a census mechanical expert, and the patent rights belong to Uncle Sam. The machines are novel in plan and design, are of greater speed and efficiency than those they superseded and can be built and operated at a large saving of money as compared with previous expenditures for this purpose.

Other money saving features are the elimination of the vital statistics inquiry from the work of the decennial census, as it belongs to the permanent branch of the United States census; the reduction in the number of schedules, the piece price method of paying for machine work, the omission of the hand, household and neighborhood industries from the manufactures branch of the census and the reduction of the

size and number of copies of the final reports.

The larger part of the \$18,000,000 will be expended in the fiscal year which began July 1 last and ends June 30, 1910, the first of the three years within which time the thirteenth census must be over, the temporary clerks and special agents discharged and the permanent census bureau with its office force of 700 clerks again performing its annual intercensal functions. Fully half of the total to be expended will be Washington's share, and the remainder will be distributed all over the country.

Congress has limited the thirteenth census to four general subjects—population, agriculture, manufactures and mines and quarries. The director is authorized to determine the form and subdivision of inquiries. The inquiry as to population relates to April 15, 1910; that as to agriculture concerns the farm operations during 1909 and calls for an inventory of farm equipment April 15, 1910; that relative to manufactures and mines and quarries for 1909.

An Army to Get the Facts.

The enumerators will carry only the population and agriculture schedules April 15, 1910. Special agents will be sent out with the schedules for the manufactures, mines and quarries data. There will be fully 65,000 enumerators, of whom about 45,000 will carry both the population and agriculture schedules, as it is estimated that there are now fully 7,000,000 separate farms in America, with farmers numbering well up into a score of millions. In 1900 there were many more billions of dollars of fixed capital invested in agriculture than there were in manufactures, strange as it may seem. And the farmer is getting better off all the time; his mortgage in indebtedness is decreasing fast, his taxation is small as compared with the urbanite's burden, and he has taken to automobile riding on a large scale. This is the heyday of the farmer, and old Dr. U. S. Census is going to diagnose him pretty carefully for fear that with ease comes evil—that is, the neglect of those essentials which have made his prosperity possible.

Census taking every ten years is a tremendous task. It is the greatest single operation undertaken by Uncle Sam with the exception of the Panama canal work and the assembling of an army in time of war. The American census is the largest, costliest and most accurate of any taken by the civilized nations. Its methods are the most modern and its equipment the most complete. The census bureau force comprises, first, Director E. Dana Durand of Michigan, who, although only thirty-eight years old, is older than most of the generals commanding the forces in the civil war and who is, too, a statistically scarred hero, a veteran in government service and likely to prove the most practical and efficient director connected with any of the past censuses. Then there is the assistant director, William F. Willoughby of Washington, former secretary of state of Porto Rico. Next in rank are the five chief statisticians—William C. Hunt, in charge of the population division; Le Grand Powers, heading the agricultural division; William M. Steinart, overseeing the manufactures division; Dr. Cressy L. Wilbur, the vital statistics work, and Dr. Joseph Adna Hill, the division of revision and results. Charles S. Sloane is the geographer, Albertus II. Baldwin is the chief clerk. Voler V. Viles is chief of the publication division, Hugh M. Brown is private secretary to the director. Robert M. Pindell, Jr., is the appointment clerk. George Johannes is the disbursing officer, and C. W. Spicer is the mechanical expert. In addition to these are the chiefs of the divisions under the chief statisticians.

There are about 750 permanent clerks, and there will be 3,000 temporary clerks, etc. The supervisors will number 230, and they will employ and direct the 65,000 enumerators. Twenty expert special agents will exercise an advisory function. There will be about 1,600 chief special agents and assistant special agents. The supervisors will also probably employ 1,000 clerks, 500 special agents and 4,000 interpreters.

Tabulating the Returns.

The preparation of the schedules for the tabulating process will begin as soon as they are forwarded by the supervisors. The data on them relating to population will be transferred to manila cards by the punching of holes in them to correspond with the different items in the schedules. An electrical machine controlled by a clerk can punch holes in 3,600 cards a day. There will be 300 of these, and 90,000 cards have been ordered.

After the punching the cards are hand fed into an electric tabulating machine with a "pin box" attachment which permits the required pins to pass through the variously placed holes in the cards, in this way establishing an electric circuit, resulting in the tabulation of the items on counters which register their results in printing on spooled paper somewhat like a stock ticker. There will be a hundred of these machines. After certain comparisons to prove accuracy the schedules are permanently preserved in a great iron safe in the census bureau. As the card does not contain the name of the person for whom it stands, all personal identity is eliminated from



THROUGH THE WALL

By
CLEVELAND MOFFETT
Author of "THE BATTLE"

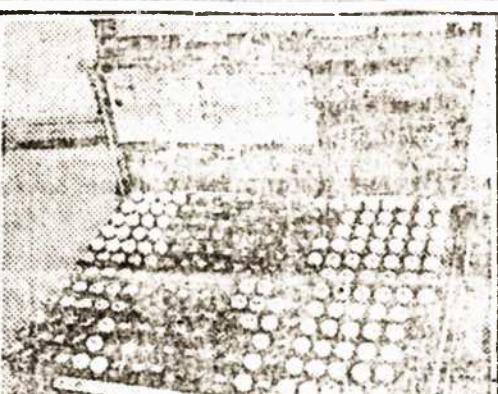
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Gems In Verse

NEAR EASTER.

In convention they assembled, and the demonstrators showed How they made the millinery of the very latest mode.

There were hats of all descriptions, shapes and sizes for the spring, All quite chic and smart and swagger and too sweet for anything.

There were hats with brims extended; there were hats without much brim; Some were picturesque and fluffy and some others neat and trim.

They were skewed kind o' sideways, they were turned up at the rear, And there wasn't one among 'em that you'd have called a dear.

They were trimmed with filmy chiffon in a pompon or festoon; They were edged with cobweb laces; they were banded with galloon.

There were some rosetted under, there were others plumed above, And you couldn't find a bonnet that was not a perfect love.

And the colors—glowing ruby, royal purple, peacock blue, Green and yellow, brown and olive, every shade of every hue.

To say nothing of the white ones and the blacks and tans and creams And the varied combinations—well, you never saw such dreams!

On, the velvets and the satins and the feathers and the floss When the milliners assembled the new fashions to discuss!

There was only one thing lacking in the whole assortment—that Was the tasteful and becoming and yet inexpensive hat.

—Chicago Daily News.

A LENTEN WISH.

I WOULD that all the year were Lent, For then Louise might be As contrite and as penitent For all her name to me

THROUGH twelve long, blissful months In bed Of forty fleeting days And, tiring soon of rack and rue, Resolve to mend her ways.

I WOULD that all the year were Lent, For maybe ere its close Louise would find her substance spent In easing others' woes.

AND then, from roots a fugitive, Reduced to poverty, She might, with nothing else to give, Give up herself to me.

—Selected.

SNOWING.

F EATHERING the willows, Drafting in the hedges, Piling down pillows On the mountain ledges;

Bordering the streamlet Where the sedges shiver, Wafting on a dreamt To the drowsy river;

Weaving robes of ermine For the perished roses, Soft as couch of mornan When the deep reposes;

Speaking in a whisper Mystical and olden, Silver-throated hisper With a language golden;

Smoothing out the wrinkles In the cemetery, Laughing where the tinkles Of the bells are merry;

Dancing like a fairy, Vanishing, returning, Till the spirits airy Set the woods a-yearning.

—L. T. Weeks.

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THAT BOY OF MINE.

I'VE traveled the land of Allah Ballo, Where flourish the caeti and tough bamboo;

I've battled the storms of a tropical land Where savage and war go hand in hand; I've shared in the charge of a thousand men

As we rushed the foeman through valley and glen.

But all is forgotten—I cannot repine—

When I hold in my arms that boy of mine.

THE years that have gone and troubles that were

Havo ceased long since on my life to bear. A brand new leaf in life's old book I've turned to find a wholesome look—

A look of promise of joys to come, A smile to which all sorrows succumb,

And my heart is filled with a joy divine When I hold in my arms that boy of mine.

—John S. Ormsby.

EASTER.

CHRIST arisen! Lift your eyes! Lo, what glory fills the skies! Winter's death is dead, and born The summer's hope in springing corn.

While the lily cleaves the sod, Who shall bind the Son of God? Christ arisen? The sun today Unseals a tomb and rolls away All mists of midnight like a stone.

All raiment save of light alone Shall the single shadow fall.

On the Christ, the Lord of all?

Christ arisen? Roman steel Sentinelized that stone and seal.

Rome in her imperial power Watched until the dawning hour—

Watched and witnessed, bowed and said, "Christ is risen from the dead."

Oh, by all an age's trust, By our darlings laid in dust,

In our griefs the single stay,

Of our joys the central ray,

Cease, my doubts, thy sentry tread,

"Christ is risen from the dead."

—Frank O. Ticknor; M. D.

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The hour is gone I cannot recall, but tomorrow I will do better than yesterday.—Dyer.

CLUBWOMEN HELP TO CLEAN UP PANAMA CANAL STRIP.

MRS. PHILIP N. MOORE of St. Louis, president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, and other well known clubwomen are receiving the thanks of government officials because



MRS. PHILIP N. MOORE.

of the good work done in the Panama canal zone by clubs affiliated with the federation. Until a comparatively recent date there was much criticism

HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES.

Graham bread and brown bread are both excellent for sandwich purposes, and raisin bread, "with lots of raisins in it," is a welcome change.

A teaspoonful of lemon juice in a cupful of tepid water will remove all stains from nails and skin and loosen the cuticle better than a sharp instrument.

Round jelly cake pans make excellent pot covers by turning upside down and placing in center a small wooden knob, obtainable of any grocer. Two can be bought for 5 cents.

New linen for working upon should be rubbed over with a dry cake of soap. This will render the fabric soft, so that drawing threads of embroidery upon it will be much facilitated.

While it is advisable to pack water bag flat, occasionally there is necessity for rolling it. If so, it is well to lay a piece of cloth or paper over the bag first; then there will be no possible danger of the sides of the bag sticking together.

Carrots will make delicious preserves. Take three-quarters of a pound of sugar to a pound of carrots and sufficient water to make a sirup and boil until the preserves are thick. A little ginger or lemon should be added to flavor.

To use cold halibut or other white fish remove the bones, flake it and arrange it in layers in breadcrumbs and seasoning in a buttered baking dish. Cover the top with buttered crumbs, turn in hot milk to moisten sufficiently, sprinkle grated cheese over and bake.

"Get Thin!" Cries Paris.

"Get thin!" is the cry of Paris at this moment. In fact, a superfluous ounce of flesh is more odious to the Parisienne just now than the unexpected visit of a detested mother-in-law. The New York woman as well has succumbed to the fashion of the moment. And one marvels to see how amazingly slim even one's stoutest friends have become.

Now, the secret of this amazing thinness is really that one is suffering an optical illusion born of the corsetiere's and dressmaker's skill, and thin looking people are not really thin after all. These wonderful artists have learned how to dispose of an overplentiful supply of too apparent flesh and bestow upon it becoming and graceful lines and curves. Dieting also plays its part, and more than one woman who pines for long and slender lines has been heard moaning, "I haven't had a square meal this winter."

Englishwomen are devoting themselves to the fascinations of the jumping rope, and skipping is a fad just now at English country homes and week end parties.

One of the main factors in the acquiring of flesh is the lack of exercise, women indulging in indolence and the luxury of riding where a good brisk walk would be the savior of health, temper and figure. Fresh air is the best of all tonics, and a long walk in a pleasant frame of mind can do much toward keeping one in good condition.

The Guilty One.

Nodd—By Jove! I came away from home this morning without a cent in my pocket.

Todd—What made you do a thing like that?

Nodd—I don't know, but I guess my wife had a hand in it.

of conditions in the zone, a good deal of which appears to have been well founded. The housing of the laborers, their insanitary environment and various other matters came in for a share of the criticism. The women's clubs undertook to remedy these matters, and by hard work and persistent endeavor they have done much toward making the canal zone a fit place for the habitation of human beings. Not only has much of the general cleaning up been done at the suggestion of the clubwomen, but reading rooms and other public places of recreation and culture have been established mainly through their efforts. The wives of some of the officials connected with digging the canal are prominent clubwomen, and, though far removed from their native spheres of action, they do not propose to enjoy south sea siestas all the time, notwithstanding the fact that the climate of the canal strip induces to languor.

Facts Useful to Know.

To cool a hot dish in a hurry, place it in a vessel full of cold salt water.

If mixed with milk instead of water, mustard will not get dry, but will keep nice and fresh until it is all used up.

A little vinegar put in the water in which eggs are poached will keep them white and prevent them from spreading.

When using valuable vases for table decorations fill them with sand, for this makes them stand firmly and renders them far less liable to be knocked over and broken.

HERE AND THERE.

The Salient Features of the New Modes—Hats Will Not Be Gigantic.

Two or three features seem well established in spring styles. Hats will not be gigantic. Skirts will have more flare. Coats will be shorter. White blouses will not be as popular as colored ones.

It is the moyen age and Byzantine influence that are getting the fashion



MODEL FOR SUMMER FROCK.

world away from all white. We are in the throes of another epoch of color. We like vividness, and if we cannot have it as an entire costume we put splashes of it all over ourselves.

French percale makes a smart as well as durable dress for warm weather, and the model illustrated is attractive after a simple fashion. It is made with a blouse and straight plaited skirt that are joined beneath the belt, and there is a becoming shaped yoke that can be used or not as desired.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

This May Manton pattern comes in sizes for girls from six to twelve years of age. Send 10 cents to this office, giving number, 6600, and it will be promptly forwarded to you by mail. If in haste send an additional two cent stamp for letter postage, which insures more prompt delivery.

Tales of Cities.

The officially estimated population of Greater London is 7,537,196.

Up to 1780 the chief waterworks of New York city was in Chatham street, now Park row. The water was carted about the city in casks and sold from carts.

Berlin, which is generally looked upon as the foremost city in Europe in the matter of street illumination, has decided on the inverted high pressure gas lamp in preference to electric arc lamps.

WHAT'S TO BE WORN.

Full Skirts to Be in Evidence This Summer.

On summer frocks the fuller skirt will be in evidence, but the fullness so handled that one is scarcely aware of its presence. Draperies, tunics and overskirts of all kinds will be in vogue on diaphanous costumes.

A charming hat of the mushroom order is of cerise tagal straw. The sole trimming took the form of some narrow velvet bands with flat bows, one of which caught up the veil of black tulle edged with a border of lace dotted with jet beads.

Silk and cotton messaline of lustrous shimmer in all spring colors is 30 cents a yard.

A plain one tone French foulard that comes in the new dull tones has a double border of black soutache effect on self colored ground. This silk is rather expensive.

One of the newest things among the new French shantungs is forty-eight inches wide, with a deep border of self color in Greek key pattern. The silk comes in a lovely Roman gold and in other leading shades.

The overblouse or kimono waist is very popular this spring. Such a mod-



OVERBLOUSE OR KIMONO WAIST.

el can be utilized for an entire gown of foulard or linen or a fabric that is suitable for treatment of this sort. The sleeves are cut in one with the waist, and consequently there is little labor connected with the making.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

This May Manton pattern is cut for girls of fourteen and sixteen years of age. Send 10 cents to this office, giving number, 6604, and it will be promptly forwarded to you by mail. If in haste send an additional two cent stamp for letter postage, which insures more prompt delivery.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Miss Mary Daudridge Spiers has succeeded Miss Alice Blech as social secretary to Mrs. Tuff.

A photograph of Mrs. Edward Kliteberger of Akron, found in the home of her aunt in Newark, N. J., had the effect of bringing her an estate of between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

Dr. Mary Hoffman Jones is the first woman appointed to give medical attention to the women who seek shelter in the municipal lodging house in New York. Dr. Jones is a Chicago woman.

Miss Mary Gilbert Owens of Germantown, Pa., has a valentine which she thinks, is the oldest in the United States. The valentine bears the date 1815. It was given to Miss Owens by a relative of the original recipient.

Mrs. Marilla M. Ricker, a lawyer of Dover, N. H., leader in the woman suffrage movement, announces that she is to be a candidate for governor of New Hampshire at the next election. She is to run, she says, on a woman suffrage platform.

Baroness Uchida, wife of the new Japanese ambassador to the United States, is a graduate of Bryn Mawr. Since her marriage twelve years ago she has resided in Pekin and Vienna, but she has kept in touch with the condition of the women of her native country.

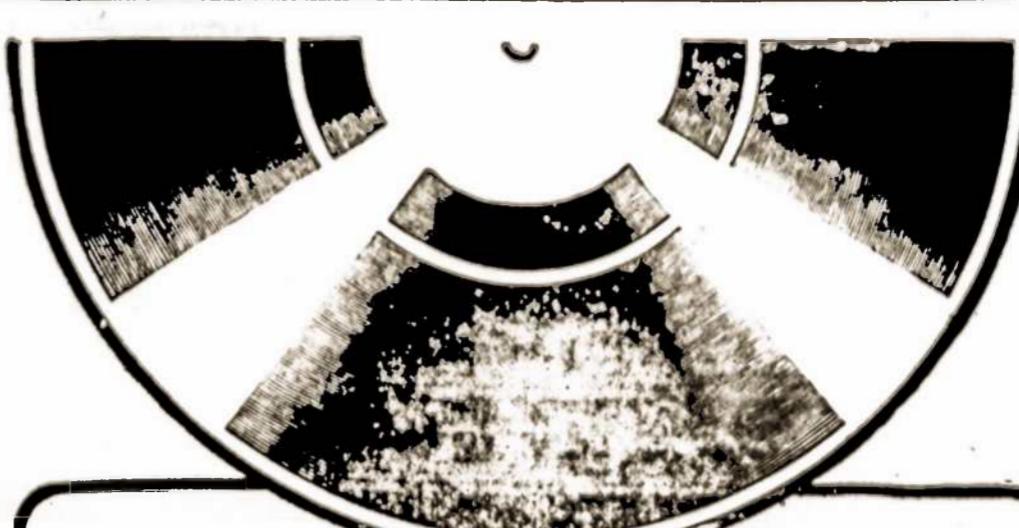
Train and Track.

The Formosan railway is about to extend its system by two branch lines, both of which will enter what is called savage territory.

When the railways now being laid down in China are finished the total length of China's railway system will amount to 8,000 miles.

A big railroad in the northwest is replacing its section crew handcars with cars driven by direct connected motors, so light that four men can lift them from the track.

Since introducing the "pay within" cars in Philadelphia the number of accidents to persons has decreased 74 per cent. This is attributed to the arrangement of the closed doors and steps, making it impossible for passengers to get on or off when the cars are moving.



Columbia Disc and Cylinder Records



fit any "talking machine" and make it sound almost as good as the Columbia Graphophone.

The Columbia Phonograph Company owns the original patents covering the making of modern records. They use materials that no other maker can secure. They employ processes that they absolutely control. They operate the largest factory in its line in the world. If organization counts for anything, if system means anything, if constant invention and experiment are worth considering, Columbia Records ought to be beyond comparison—and they are! Fines' tone, longest life, widest choice. Come in and listen.

FOR SALE BY
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Victor Liniment

Is a highly refined preparation for the human flesh, and is esteemed most valuable for every home. Ask your druggist about it. Insist on

Victor Liniment
and take no other.

Household Hints.

Take a round piece of cloth, run a rubber in it and keep over the top of meat chopper; no dust and always ready for use.

Wet a towel in cold water and cover all kinds of roasted meats, turkey and chicken to prevent drying. They will retain the flavor and keep moist a long time.

Many families will really suffer from a squeaking hinge for weeks when one application of machine oil or a little heated lard will result in perfect silence.

Occasionally it happens that a crack appears in an otherwise perfect piece of furniture. Melt a little beeswax, color it to match the wood with aniline dye and then press it firmly into the cracks.

The Cookbook.

Stuffed potatoes are made by mixing cheese and breadcrumbs in with the contents.

For delicate garlic sauce such as Frenchwomen are known for, boil garlic in at least five waters, draining it each time and then chop it and add it to a white sauce.

The objectionable sputtering and dying of the hot fat when eggs, hominy, apples and like things are dropped into it to fry may be prevented if a little flour is sifted into the fat just before they are added.

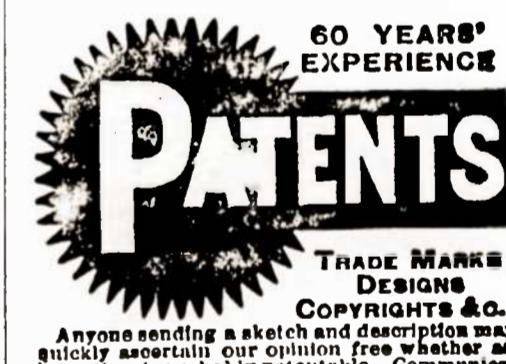
A simple and quick method to make French dressing is simply to put the salt, pepper, a dash of sugar and the vinegar into a pint jar and then add the olive oil. Now put on the cover to the jar and shake hard. The dressing will be mixed splendidly without the interminable mixing.

Innocent Fun.

"Hey!" exclaimed his uncle. "What are you trying to do—break my watch?"

"No," replied the innocent solemnly; "I'm th'ow it thoo the floor."—Buffalo Express.

Early and provident fear is the mother of safety.—Burke.



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NO TAR OR CRACK
SOLD BY A. W. PROCTOR.

How She Got the Job.

"The one thing we demand from our employees," said the head of the office force, "is correctness in figures."

The applicant smoothed her hipless skirt complacently.

"I have never had any complaints on that score," she replied, with a glance of assurance.—Bystander.

Anticipated.

"I've often marveled at your brilliancy, your aptness at repartee, your"—

"If it's more than 5 shillings, old man. I can't do a thing for you. I'm nearly broke myself."—London Mail.

The Northfield Press

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W. W. Coe A. P. Pitt
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FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1910

Help Your Town.
Help to make the city try.
You can do it if you try,
And you'll be a profit sharer
In the splendor by and by.
Don't forget while you are grumbling
That you might be something more.
Let there be no future stumbling
Over obstructions at your door.

Help to make the town more splendid.
Do the part you have to do.
There is much that may be mended
Through a little aid from you.
Help decrease the dirt that's blowing;
Help to purify the breeze.
When it happens to be snowing
Clean your sidewalks, if you please.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

There are some promising indications that the committee appointed at the last Town meeting to look into the matter of street lighting, will soon have an interesting report to make. This will be most acceptable to our citizens. Like the heathen, we have long walked in darkness and there is probably no single improvement needed more than the lighting of our streets. The probability is that it will be done by electricity. The committee, consisting of C. S. Warner, N. P. Wood, and A. G. Moody, will be greatly aided in their efforts if the citizens will indicate in some way (a postal card will do) if they as individuals wish to use electricity for private lighting in case it can be secured for the town.

Agriculture is the backbone of any community. One may go further and say it is the backbone of civilization. The world travels on its stomach, just as an army does, and if the world is to be fed there must be farmers to grow the produce. In view of this vital fact and the present tendency of farm people to flock to the cities and quit farming these words of Congressman Champ Clark, minority leader in the national house of representatives, are worthy of serious notice:

"The present high prices for farm products have come to stay. The rural population is playing out. The present census, if it classes the unincorporated villages as towns, will show between 60 and 65 per cent of the population as living in towns.

"At the present rate in twenty years the United States will cease to be an exporting nation for agricultural products except as to cotton. One of the principal causes of the high prices of farm products is the world movement of people toward the towns and cities. While a few people in towns and cities have barns and raise chickens and occasionally pigs, practically the entire town and city population are non-producers of anything to eat, but are consumers only."

A Missouri editor refuses to publish obituary notices of people who while living failed to subscribe for his paper and gives this pointed reason: People who do not take their local paper are already dead, and their passing away has no news value.

"If you can't afford to keep a cow and chickens you ought to go back to the farm," is the advice of Governor Hadley. There are several reasons besides poverty, all of them good, why tenement dwellers do not keep cows and chickens and equally good ones why they do not go back to their farms.

A Multiplication Trick.
Here is a little trick in multiplication that may amuse you. Ask a friend to write down the numbers 12345678, omitting the number 9. Then tell him to select any one figure from the list, multiply it by 9 and with the answer to this sum multiply the whole list—thus, assuming that he selects either the figure 4 or 8:

Select 4 $\times 9 = 36$.
12345678
36
Select 6 $\times 9 = 54$.
12345678
54

You see, the answer of the sum is composed of figures similar to the one selected.

Men in Petticoats.
It will probably be a matter of surprise to the general reader to learn that the petticoat was first worn exclusively by men. In the reign of King Henry VII, the dress of the English was so fantastic and absurd that it was difficult to distinguish one sex from the other. In the inventory of Henry V, appears a "petticoat of red damask, with open sleeves." There is no mention of a woman's petticoat before the Tudor period.

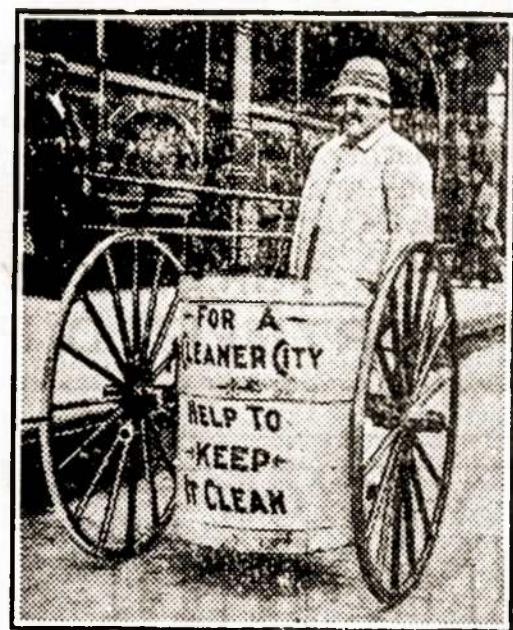
AWAKENING OF CIVIC INTEREST.

Much Accomplished Through Revivals in Towns and Cities.

UNIQUE METHODS EMPLOYED.

Pamphlets Distributed, Placards Displayed and Signs Painted on Carts of Street Sweepers as Practiced at a Revival in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Towns and cities striving for self improvement have different stories to tell, because in no two are the local conditions the same, while the methods employed differ even more widely than the conditions. The situation is, however, sufficiently similar in all towns for each to learn something of value from the experience of the others. The story of the civic revival in Grand Rapids, Mich., is especially valuable and interesting because the methods that are so satisfactory there could be applied in every town and city in the United States. Grand Rapids is well situated, the residential districts being apart from the business section and on considerably higher land, thus affording good drainage, clearer air and beautiful views. In the



STREET SWEEPER, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.
[From American City Magazine, New York.]

business section most of the streets are of a regulation width, excepting the principal retail thoroughfares, which are much wider. In the residential districts the houses are set back with beautiful lawns between them and the sidewalks, affording a beautiful sight as one passes down the street. The revival was started by a citizen who took a live interest in public matters and the city's welfare. In time he interested other good citizens in municipal affairs, gradually sought the aid of the common council of the city and finally succeeded in his object. The grand revival was at last under way.

Pamphlets, leaflets and dodgers of all descriptions were circulated broadcast through the schools and factories. Placards were displayed in store windows and invitations sent to organizations, societies and clubs to take part in the movement. The board of trade appointed a general chairman, and he in turn appointed subcommittees for beautifying and improving the city and making it a more beautiful, cleaner and better governed place to reside and do business in. Any citizen interested in the work is at liberty to join one of these committees. A unique idea devised by those interested in the revival is the signs painted on the carts of the street cleaners. The men employed as street sweepers not only pick up litter, but pass out handbills to citizens requesting that the rubbish cans be put to full use. The revivalists keep up the public interest by holding many meetings and invent many methods for improvement and seek thus to arouse general interest. They hold up the vision of the city as it may be—beautiful, convenient, orderly, free from disease—and then keep calling attention to the vision.

A Useful Reminder.

An M. I. who in his magisterial capacity periodically visited a private lunatic asylum told the story of a man of some position in the legal world who went to see a patient who had occasional lapses into sanity. The patient made a great impression on his visitor as a well informed, healthily minded gentleman and was assured that his case should be inquired into.

On leaving, the grateful patient courteously conducted his morning caller to the front door, affectionately pressing his hand at parting.

"You won't forget what I've told you," he pleaded, with tears in his voice.

"No," responded the visitor, turning round to descend the rather long flight of steps.

"I don't think you will," said the patient dreamily, "but lest you should you know"—

And, lifting up his foot, he gave the unsuspecting, defenseless visitor a kick behind that sent him spinning down the stairway and sprawling on the gravel. —Person's Weekly.

NOVEL ADVERTISING SCHEME

Camera Contests Among Amateur Photographers to Attract Trade.
There is scarcely a "cameramen's" village in the United States, no matter how limited it may be in population, while in the towns and cities the folding kodaks and other kinds are almost as common as flies around a molasses hogshead. And because they are so common their enthusiastic users may be drafted into service as advertising assistants who can render valuable

For instance, suppose you used a portion of your window display space each week for exhibition purposes, the "art gallery" being the product of local amateurs. People would stop and look, wouldn't they? They surely would. There isn't any question about that.

But, says Mr. Inquisitive, "How are we going to enlist the snapshotters?"

And the answer is that you get people to do most anything within reason if there is any inducement for them to do it. Well, there is nothing better than a cash inducement, and if you should let the amateur photographers know that you wanted to secure attractive local views from which to make a cut to use on that calendar that you are going to give away next Christmas and that the desire on your part was so great that you would be willing to give the successful contestant a ten dollar gold piece you would not have to go around asking people to get busy.

The pictures would be all displayed in your shop windows, and the name of the photographer would be printed on the entry. Besides attracting an immense amount of attention to your window and drawing customers to your store, you would get the subject for a calendar that would be just about a million per cent better than the ordinary angel-on-the-moon or cupid fancy designs, which are only a little better than no calendar at all.

In any event it is a good scheme well worth trying. But don't try it unless you are going at it enthusiastically. That is the one and only way to properly utilize merchandising or advertising scheme.

DISTRIBUTING CIRCULARS.

Get Them Into Every Home and Quick Trade Results Will Be Realized.

MERCHANTS who are traveling along the line of least resistance are looking carefully to their advertising in newspapers. In this they call particular attention to the things which will create a buying interest in the reader. The first place for a merchant to attract widespread attention of a community is through the newspaper. Now, if you will supplement this form of advertising with good circular matter, giving a more detailed description, and see that a circular finds its way into every home in your territory you will quickly see noticeable results.

Many times a merchant makes the right resolve and even goes so far as to make a trial run, as it were, but does not keep the good work up. To be successful in business means a survival of the fittest, for it is only the ones who try and keep on trying who succeed. It is a familiar axiom which reads, "Plan your work, then work your plan," but, after all, that is the only way to succeed. Neither is it so hard as a first glance would show.

Every article was made to sell and must be sold at a profit if business is to continue. Study conditions at close range, know your customers' needs, their likes and dislikes, if possible. Keep uppermost in your mind a reasonable profit on your sales. There are enough talking points about the entire line of the store's merchandise to keep a healthy flow of store facts flowing out through the buying channel.

A brief analysis of slow selling stocks often reveals a lack of activity at the fountainhead—to be more clear and forceful, a "tiredness" of the merchant himself.

Women Construct Sidewalks.

A novel town improvement has been started in the Glen Park district in California in which the women of that section take a prominent part. The women are engaged in a successful sidewalk crusade, having for its object the laying of cement sidewalks throughout the district. They have contracted with a rock dealer, a member of the local improvement club, for the necessary material for the purpose at half the usual price. A teamster, also a member of the association, hauls their material at a little over half the usual price, and a sidewalk builder is engaged to supervise the work and see that it is done properly.

The labor itself is done by the women and children of the neighborhood, who crush and pound the rock into place, pull up the forms, relay them, ride with the teamsters and assist in loading and unloading the wagons.

Their method of procedure brings the cost of their sidewalks considerably below the regular price.

See that your lawn is well cropped and the fence is kept in repair and well painted.

Plant flowers and trees. Wherever the ground shows bare plant something green in it.

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Open all the year. A homelike hotel that offers every comfort. Electric lights, steam heat, open fires, private baths, broad verandas. Excellent table. Good Livery and Garage. Sledding, Skating, Skeeing and other Winter Sports. Specially low rates during the winter months. Illustrated Booklet Free.

Ambert G. Moody, Manager

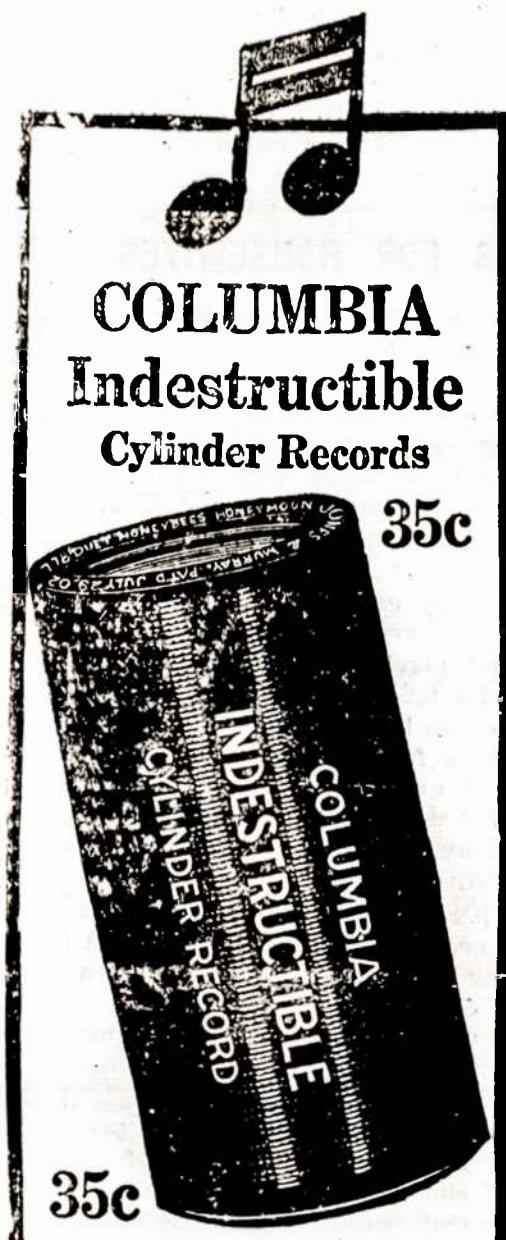
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Fit Your Machine and Last Forever
Purer, clearer, more brilliant tone. Call for a catalog.
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Single Combed Rhode Island Red and Barred Rock eggs. \$1.00 for 15, Extra good stock.

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LET'S PRETEND.

LET'S pretend that you and I
Love each other "true as true."
It's a joyous game to try—
Let's pretend!

I'LL be loverlike, and you—
You'll return me sigh for sigh,
Kiss for kiss, as sweethearts do.
Let's pretend!

If we find as time slips by
That our play's in earnest, too,
All the better! Meanwhile, why,
Let's pretend!

—Berton Braley.

THE VISITANT.

THE VISITANT.
IT'S eerie night tide, blind with rain
I am alone, yet not alone;

I hear voice without the pane
That calls with mingled mirth and moan.

WHO is this visitant that cries—
That through the stark hours prior

to me

WHO plumb seals my heavy eyes?

It is the wrath of memory!

—Clinton Scollard.



Northfield Press

An Odd Gypsy Custom.

In Hungary, when the question of the baby's future comes up for discussion among the gypsies, there is no time wasted in argument. A blanket is held by the four corners, and the baby is thrown into the air. If it comes down on its little stomach it is a sign that it is going to be a musician; if it falls on its back it is to be a thief, and the education of the child is begun as soon as possible in one of these two time honored professions.

Painfully Frank.
"Mr. Colclough, I have come to ask for the hand of your daughter."
"My daughter, sir?"
"Yes, I can't live without her."
"Well, sir, finish your sentence."
"Finish my sentence?"
"Yes, you were about to say you could not live without her income. Let us be candid."

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Office Hours: 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., except Saturday afternoons.

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112 Main St.
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Elliott W. Brown, Northfield.

FOR SALE—Exclusive Bakery business in Northfield and vicinity. With the plant will be included the horses, wagons, etc. Also a small stock of Groceries. Prosperous business. Reasonable price.

E. W. Brown, Northfield, Mrs.

FOR SALE—Farm of 140 acres, 1½ miles north of Auditorium, good house, large barns, apple orchard, 200 sugar maples, 8 cows, Guernsey bull, 10 calves, 12 hogs, 25 hens. Price, \$2,800. Elliott W. Brown, Northfield, Mass.

FOR SALE—Two Colts, of good build and breed. One 3 years partly trained, other 2 years no training, both very tame. Address John Lawson, Davis Farm, Ashuelot, N. H.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—One six-room cottage on Elm Avenue. Inquire of John E. Nye.

Recent Inventions.

To hold a horse's hoof and trim it evenly before shoeing is the purpose of a machine invented by an Arkansas man.

A shovel with high, sharp sides and with a hinged blade that lifts away from the front has been patented by a New Jersey resident to cut and lift sods.

A patent has been granted an Indiana man on a meter to count the words written on a typewriter, pressure on the space bar closing a circuit and causing it to register.

Two Tennessee draftsmen have patented a magnetic T square which is held against the ironbound edge of a drawing board by an electro magnet in its head. A switch cuts off the current and allows it to be moved.

British Briefs.

An admiral of the fleet of Great Britain has a salary of £2,100.

The "short lived parliament" under the Earl of Bath in 1746 existed only two days.

The speaker of the house of commons draws a salary of £5,000 a year and on retirement is usually awarded a pension of £4,000 and a peerage.

Peeresses of Great Britain, Scotland or Ireland by birth, marriage or creation are free from arrest or imprisonment in civil process, and in the event of a peeress being charged with a criminal offense she would be tried by the house of lords.

Tree Branches.

The white poplar can be used as a natural lightning rod.

An oak tree of average size, with 700,000 leaves, lifts from the earth about 123 tons of water during the five months it is in leaf.

Warwick

Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Worden visited their daughter, Mrs. Sheperdson, the past week, who is very ill at the hospital in Westboro.

Fred W. Bass and daughter Katherine have been spending a few days with friends in Holyoke.

Rev. John Graham spent Friday and Saturday in Boston.

Seven new members were taken into the local Grange last Friday night.

Miss Rhoda A. Cook has gone on a three weeks visit among relatives. Her brother, Edward Cook, who makes his home with her, has gone for the present to stay with Mr. and Mrs. Allen by Hastings Pond.

Dr. Goldsbury of Boston spent a part of the week with his aunt Miss A. M. Goldsbury, returning to Boston Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Mann, Rev. Mr. Barney and Mrs. White attended the Farmers Institute at North Orange last week Tuesday.

Herbert Baird has bought the Sabin Forbes place, and moved there with his wife on Saturday.

Muriel Manning, daughter of George Manning, Jr., is quite ill, threatened with typhoid fever.

CO. A's TRIP TO BRATTLEBORO

Last Monday night about 18 members of Company A went to Brattleboro to engage in Athletics, Competitive Drill and a game of Basket Ball with the Brattleboro Independents, in Festival Hall.

The basket ball game was the feature of the evening. Our boys did some fine playing, but in spite of it all they were defeated. The score was 43 to 24 in favor of the Independents. Joseph Waite won the medal in the competitive drill. Two prizes were won by the Northfield team in the athletic contest, Clinton Smith taking first in the high jump and Raymond Culver third in the broad jump.

Fifteen girls chaperoned by Miss Day went up from Northfield, and had it not been for their inspiring presence we presume our boys wouldn't have made a score the audience was not a very large one.

New Book by Paul D. Moody.

The publication of "The First Easter Sermon," an address by Paul Dwight Moody, will be welcomed not only by those who have heard the address delivered and urged Mr. Moody to have it put in print, but also by all who are interested in this timely topic.

Mr. Moody finds his theme in the words of Mary Magdalene: "I have seen the Lord," that first Easter morning. After tracing the story he draws several lessons, and makes applications for believers today. A striking poem by Richard LeGallienne is quoted with the author's consent.

The book is published by Northfield Press, and has a dainty white leather cover with emblematic lily design in gold stamping. The large clean print and wide margins make it attractive and readable. The price is 30 cents.

West Northfield

Mr. Leslie Adams, who married Miss Lucy Wiswell, of Somerville, on March 15, will be given a reception at his home this (Friday) evening.

Easter services at the church next Sunday with special music by the choir and sermon by the pastor. In the evening the Sunday School will give an Easter concert.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha Cole was held at the house Wednesday at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. E. Helm officiating.

A well attended rehearsal for Easter was held at the Church Monday evening. Mr. L. W. Brown is getting better, and we trust will be able to have charge of the singing Sunday.

Proverbs.

Weak men never yield at the proper time.—Latin Proverb.

Great without small makes a bad wall.—Greek Proverb.

Fierceness is often hidden under beauty.—Irish Proverb.

A good woman draws more with a hair of her head than a pair of oxen will harness.—Polish Proverb.

Hast thou a friend? Then visit him often, for thorns and brushwood obstruct the road which no one treads.—Oriental Proverb.

Notice to Contractors

Sealed proposals will be received for the erection and completion of the High School Memorial building, Northfield, by the committee up to and including Saturday April 2, at 12M.

A certified check for \$300. must accompany the bid payable to the Town Treasurer as evidence of good faith in the proposed bid.

All checks will be returned to unsuccessful bidders.

The successful bidder's check will be held until the signing of the contract.

Plans may be seen with the chairman of the committee, L. R. Smith East Northfield, or at the office of A. W. Holton, architect, Westfield, Mass

L. R. SMITH,
Chairman Committee.

NOTICE

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned until March 26, 1910, at noon, for the building of a new ferry boat for use at Munn's ferry. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

O. L. Leach
A. W. Proctor
C. L. Robbins
Selectmen of Northfield.

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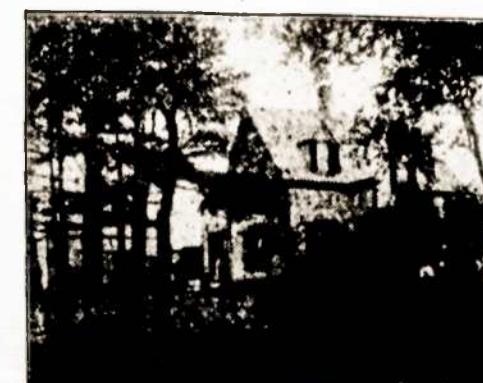
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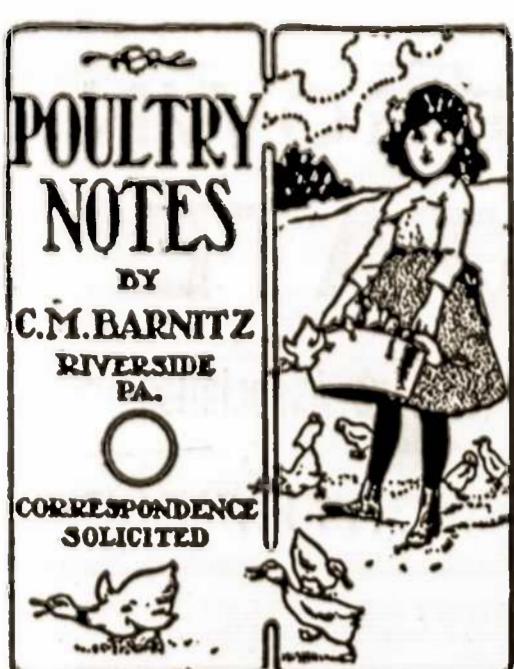
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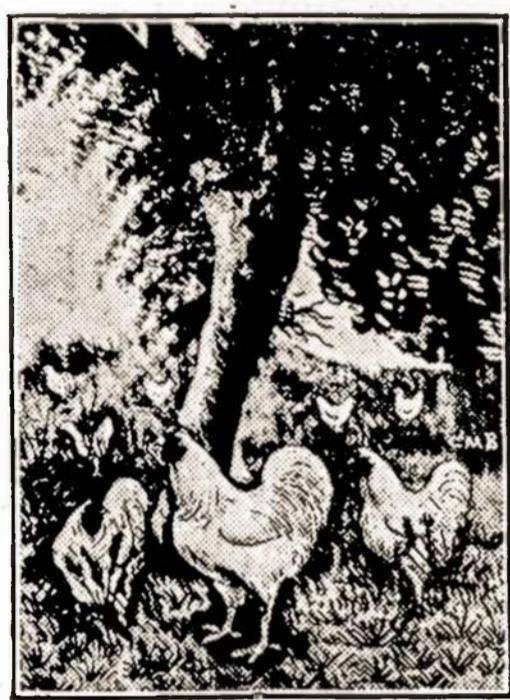
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IN THE APPLE ORCHARD.

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For cherries we plant Schmidt's and Napoleon Bigarrea. Early Richmond and English Morello, while for peaches we select Crawford and Elberta, and our best quince is the Bourgeat.

Here is a delightful side issue that furnishes the family fruit, beautifies and enriches the property and often pays the poultry feed bills, and with only a small expenditure of money, time and labor.

Fruit trees are cheap, and after the planting there is not much to do but to pick the fruit, sell it and pocket the cash.

DON'TS.

Don't feed dry ground bone with the idea that it has much food value. It's simply lime.

Don't use very fine bran before you are sure it isn't adulterated. Coarse bran is generally the best.

Don't use egg tonic to hurry your pullets. It ruins the laying organs so that they become "immune" and cannot lay.

Don't expect every letter to bring you a sale or expect every sale to please, for as there are knockers in pulpit and pew so there are those who will knock at you too.

FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.

Szabadka, Hungary, has a fattening and cold storage plant with a capacity for 100,000 chickens, 80,000 geese, 20,000 ducks and 15,000 turkeys.

My friend, when you wrote for prices on a pure bred rooster and a dozen hens and expected to get them for \$10 did you consider the market prices of poultry and eggs, not speaking of the

cost and care to produce pure bred stock?

A cock's comb seldom freezes in a house where there are no drafts, even at 10 degrees below zero, but with the thermometer at that notch let a draft or cold wind hit him and his headgear is spoiled.

A Winsted (Conn.) genius takes the biscuit for a novel way to notify neighbors to keep their chickens at home. He tied corn to the end of strings and notices to the other. The trespassing roosters swallowed the corn and cord up to the tags and then rushed home to their owners with the trespass notice in full view. A great scheme. Try it.

"One satisfied customer sends us others" is a truth every merchant, whether he sells chickens or boots, should learn. The only way to get trade, hold trade and increase trade is to advertise well what we have to sell, to tell no lies when we advertise and to practice no robbery, jobbery or snobbery.

We are most pleased when customers visit our plant and inspect our stock. Nearly all such buy on sight, then write later, to our delight, "The birds you shipped are just all right."

We have lots of such trade. How do we get it? We get most of it by advertising in the town and nearby newspapers.

Advertising pays the man who advertises good stock in a good medium and makes good to his customers. Advertising mediums are morally good, better, best, and your town paper is the latter. Have your ad. inserted on the page beside "Poultry Notes," and our hen tales will help make hen sales.

It took one-quarter of a ton of coal to hatch 5,000 eggs in a big incubator in a New York plant. They did not allow the heat damper to blow all the time, like the boys who waste that much oil on a small hatch.

NO CROWING, PLEASE!

The great mistake of chicken raisers is to crowd, and they begin with the egg.

They force the old hen to strain her gizzard to cover eggs. They are so many she can't help but break some. They get chilled by installments, a poor batch ensues, and then "these blamed hens are no good!"

They fill an incubator to the roof.

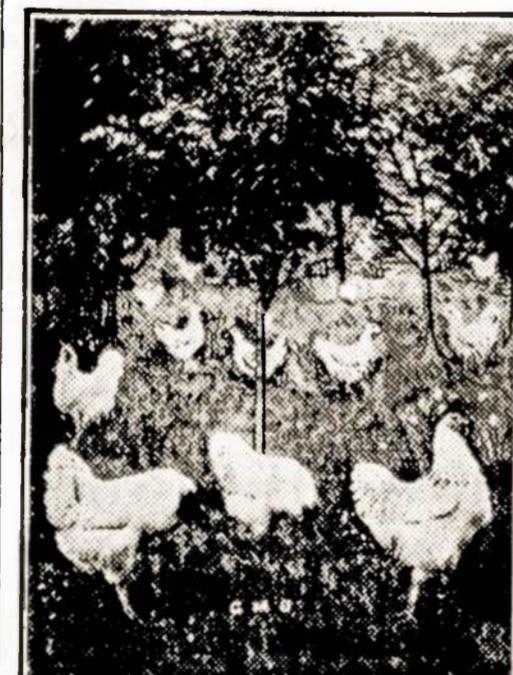
To get in one more egg they stand the eggs on end—an unnatural position. They wedge them in so tightly that it is hard to turn them, the eggs are broken, and time is wasted. The piled up eggs get too hot. Many eggs are thus spoiled, a poor hatch ensues, money is wasted, and then "the blamed incubator is no good," and a big kick is registered with its manufacturer.

Same way with chicks.

We saw a hen with sixty chicks. A month later she had twelve. Nature considered it was a case of too much family and reduced it to the livable limit.

So many crowd brooders. In a few days from overheat, chill, blit or bad air the chicks die off like flies to a reasonable remainder, and these are weakened by the experience.

No crowding, please!



POULTRY AND PLUMS.

THAT BAD CELLAR FAD.

Some think the only place to run an incubator is in a dark, damp cellar.

They claim it's the place for even temperature and moisture.

But how about the hen?

Does she locate her nest in a spooky, black hole where there are little sunlight and ventilation?

Better come out of the cellar, John it's a bad place to batch chickens.

Do you know an incubator lamp breathes? It feeds on oxygen and oil and throws off nasty fumes.

Do you know an incubator breathes? It furnishes air to embryo, growing chick lungs. It takes in those lamp fumes, the aroma of decaying cabbage, potatoes and apples with the dead, stale air of the cellar, depleted of oxygen, and you expect it to bring out strong, livable chicks in such environment. It's impossible.

The cellar's a bad place for operator, eggs and machine.

Set up your incubator where there is ventilation, but no draft; where there are life giving oxygen and purifying sunlight. Supply moisture, if necessary, and if your incubator will not run right in such environment it's a clapttrap siren and should be fired

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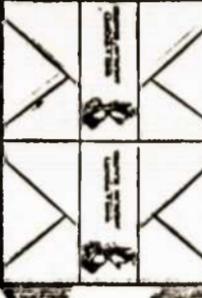
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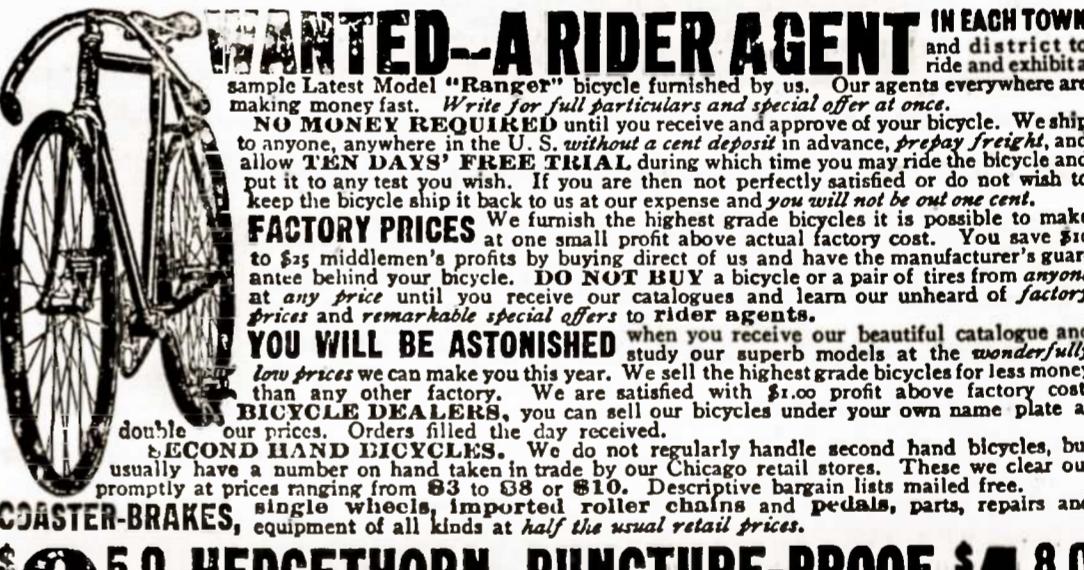
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FOR THE CHILDREN

The Land of Puzzledom.

No. 837.—Homonyms.

They might be two misers. They are quite the reverse; They are generous, yet careful to have a full purse. He loaf's not, she wastes not, the home is their own; They pay as they go and have money to loan.

II.
"Tis said of the monkey, who once was magnum opus.
The ape, the baboon and old pithecanthropus.
"Tis sometimes true of euchre, and of whist it is the rule
And of some piano music that is often played in school.

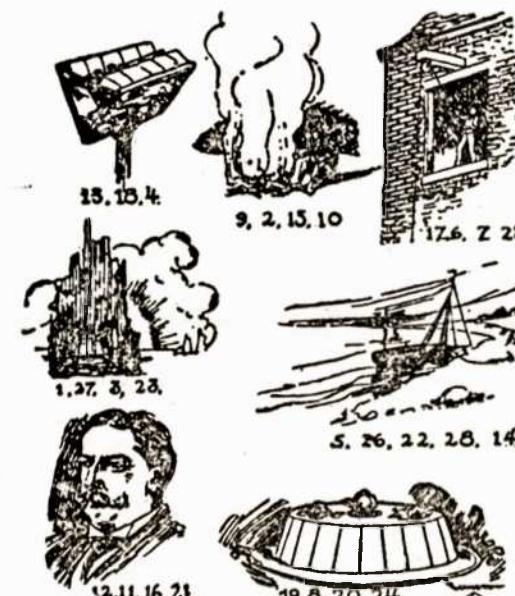
No. 838.—Words Within Words.
An ornamental ground in small particles of fire; a title in a precious substance; a seed vessel in a poem; pine wood in imaginary perfection; a song in a snare; a girl's name in a flag; a fur bearing animal in a chance distribution of prizes.

No. 839.—Concealed Square Word.
You've taken cold, I plainly see.
Now slip a nice hot cup of tea.
The first thing that one ought to do
Is to get heated through and through.
No made up medicines for me.
Just bed and sleep; no doctor's fee.
And by tomorrow you will say
I've cured you in an easy way.
Your face describes your state so well
Your aches there is no need to tell.

No. 840.—Behead and Cap.
He crossed the narrow
With slow and ling'ring
And on the table laid an
The last of a once famous
Of all its glories was no

No. 841.—Conundrum.
Before her mirror Lucy stands, a smile upon her face.
Methinks the sparkle in her eyes bespeaks of pride a trace.
I know she's fair to look upon; her beauty all concede.
That she, too, knows her bonliness in those eyes I read.
Since miladi's mirror hath told no blameful lie.
Ament her iuromome pulchritude, now won't you tell me why.
This mirror, whose reflection to one and all appeals,
Is like unto the malden whose face it well reveals?

No. 842.—Pictorial Code Rebus.



Each picture stands for a word. There are as many letters in that word as there are numbers below the picture. When all are deciphered and arranged in numerical order they will spell a sentence.

No. 843.—Anagram.
Across the rolling ocean,
Through weather foul or fair,
With never ceasing motion
They cleave both sea and air.
A spectacle inspiring
To shade of Viking old,
Blue billows plow untried,
CHURN ON, YE SEA DOG bold!

No. 844.—Enigma.
I'm found in cloud, but not in sea;
In three, but not in six I'll be;
In each, but not in one I hide;
In vanity, but ne'er in pride;
I'm not in ease, but am in work;
I'm not in duty, but am in shirk;
My whole before you often stands.
His words have loosed the tyrant bands.

No. 845.—Charade.
My first is active and exact,
Its labor thus performing;
My second, deep and dangerous,
Its conduct needs reforming;
My third the first of a long line,
Without which this verse dies;
My fourth is slain before of use;
My whole makes bright the skies.

Hidden Parts of a Church.
I will put the prunes into hot water
to steep, lest they remain too hard.
The tape was in the sewing basket.
At the arsenal tar was used for fumigating purposes.
I have found, in cleaning a vest, rye
breadcrumbs to be effective.

Answer.—Steeple, pew, altar, vestry

Word Square.

My first is a poet. My second is enclosed space. My third is not in front. My fourth is to move through air quickly.

Answer.—1. Bard. 2. Area. 3. Rear. 4. Dart.

Key to Puzzledom.

No. 830.—Crossword Enigma: Australia.
No. 831.—Charade: Wholesome.
No. 832.—Charades: 1. Inn, car, nay, shun—incarnation. 2. I, tin, err, ant-

itinerant. 3. Sat, err, null, I, a—saturnalia.

No. 833.—Four Hidden Cities: Bangor, Lowell, Portland, New Haven.

No. 834.—Riddle: A ship.

No. 835.—Anagrams: Famous poems and their authors. 1. "Sheridan's Ride," Thomas Buchanan Read. 2. "The Charge of the Light Brigade," Alfred Tennyson. 3. "The Death of the Flowers," William Cullen Bryant. 4. "Pictures of Memory," Alice Cary. 5. "The Old Clock on the Stairs," Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

No. 836.—Musical Instruments Rebus: Organ, piano, trombone, violin.

The Wars of Our Country.

LIV.—Spanish War—The Lineup.

By Albert Payson Terhune

BEFORE going further into the story of our war with Spain it will be interesting to recall how and where the naval and military forces of both nations were situated at the time and what preparations for defense and attack were made on each side.

The United States regular army at the beginning of 1898 contained only 25,706 enlisted men and 2,116 officers. That of Spain numbered 352,197. President McKinley's call for 125,000 volunteers, however, met with quick response, thus vastly strengthening Uncle Sam's land forces. The chief points of mobilization for the regular army and volunteers were at Chickamauga, Ga., and Tampa, Fla.

The nominal sea forces of the United States consisted of five battleships, fifteen armored or protected cruisers, twenty-one unprotected cruisers and gunboats, six monitors and seven other craft, making a total of fifty-four vessels. That of Spain was one battleship, eleven armored or protected cruisers, nine unprotected cruisers and gunboats, two monitors and 113 other (mostly smaller) craft. The Spanish total was thus 136 vessels, 84 of which were merely undersized gunboats.

While the United States navy was in a high state of preparation, that of Spain was more or less demoralized, with many of its ships little better than floating heaps of rusty metal. In cruisers and battleships Spain was woefully inferior.

Now did the overwhelming numerical superiority of the Spanish army count for so much as it might, for the war promised to be largely one of naval engagements.

The United States could not hope to land troops successfully in Cuba without first gaining control of the surrounding waters. Nor could Spain or the Spanish possessions in the Philippine Islands be invaded until mastery should be won over the adjacent seas.

Following the example promptly set by Great Britain, all the European powers except Germany issued proclamations of neutrality, thus insuring the combatants against outside interference or international complications.

A fleet under Commodore George Dewey had been rushed to Hongkong in expectation of war. On April 25 this brave squadron was ordered to the Philippines, where an important section of Spain's navy protected Manila. Similarly on April 30 a strong Spanish fleet, under Admiral Cervera, left the Cape Verde Islands and hurried to the defense of Cuba. On the Cervera squadron Spain relied for her most important naval operations.

Like players in a chess game, both nations proceeded to guard their weak points and to maneuver for the overcoming of the enemy's. Rear Admiral Sampson on April 22 sailed with a large fleet to carry out President McKinley's orders as to blocking Cuba's ports. Sampson wished to attack Havana at once.

but the navy department, not knowing when Cervera might appear in West Indian waters, would not let the American admiral risk crippling his battleships and cruisers from Spanish shore batteries and thus leave the blockaders too weak to cope with the squadron from Cape Verde.

Nevertheless Sampson, almost at the outset of his cruise, was to see service and to fire some of the first shots of the war.

On April 27 he arrived off the fortified Cuban seaport of Matanzas.

He knew there were Spanish batteries

protecting the place and determined

not only to locate these batteries and

learn their exact strength, but to pre-

vent if possible the building of any new forts there. So the cruisers New York and Cincinnati and the monitor Puritan dashed into Matanzas bay and began blazing away at a line of breastworks that had just been erected. The Spanish batteries returned the fire.

The three American ships fired eighty-six shots, the Spaniards replying with only twelve. Not one of the Yankee vessels was hit nor a man killed.

The only loss of life from the warships' volleys occurred when one of their eighty-six shots struck and killed a Spanish army mule.

While the little bombardment was in progress a Cuban force took advantage of the confusion to try a rear attack on the city. The Cubans were easily chased away and lost twenty men before they got safely out of range again.

Thus ended the first episode of the Spanish-American war. The waste of artillery and the one dead mule tickled the American people's sense of humor. But directly on the heels of the Matanzas affair followed startling news that thrilled the whole nation to wild'est enthusiasm.

Work For Live Improvers.

In small towns where none but the most general laws prevail it is necessary to form an improvement society to look after the health and well being of the citizens. The laws of hygiene must be observed. Both sewers and surface drainage should be provided by the people as a whole, and where no city government exists this is a grand work for a live improvement society for town betterment.

He Could Not Recommend It.

The editor was seated at his desk, busily engaged in writing a fervid editorial on the necessity of building a new walk to the cemetery, when a battered specimen of the tramp printer entered the office.

"Mornin', boss," said the caller. "Got any work for a print?"

"I have," answered the editor. "You happened in just right this time. I've got only a boy to help me in the office, and I need a man to set type for about a week. I have to make a trip out west. You can take off your coat and begin right now. I start tomorrow morning."

"All right," said the typographical tourist, removing his coat. "What road are you going to travel on?"

"The X, Y, and Z mostly. I've never been on it. Know anything about it?"

"I know all about it. I've traveled it from one end to the other."

"What kind of road is it?"

"Bum!" said the printer in a tone indicative of strong disgust. "The ties are too far apart!"—Youth's Companion.

The Artistic Japanese.

Artistic impulses govern even the ordinary artisan in Japan. This, from an article in the Craftsman by Mr. L. Wakeman Curtis, illustrates the fact: "In so commercial and nonartistic a porcelain district as Nagoya I saw a big room full of men working in clay, hastily copying in quantities pieces that were to go, in a shipload, to fill an order in England. I paused beside a man who was finishing soap dishes. On each cover, before it went to be baked, he was adding the knob by which it could be lifted. That on the European model before him was utterly without sentiment, less gracious of shape than a freshly digged onion or potato. With a few slight, quick touches, seemingly as unthinking as a machine, he was yet doing more than was required—he was causing each knob as it passed under his hands to take the look of a half-opened bud, a faint hint of a leaf being also quickly modeled in the 'biscuit' beneath it."

Paris' Worst Flood.

In the year 1296 rose the greatest flood of which history makes any record in Paris. Men went in boats over the wall of the king's garden." All the island was covered, and from the foot of the hill of the university to the rising ground beyond the Marais the upper stories of the houses rose out of a lake a mile wide. In that flood was swept away the old stone bridge that Charles the Bald had built centuries earlier, before even the Normans besieged the town, and in that flood the Petit Chatelet was destroyed.

The Petit Pont fell into the river also, but that was nothing wonderful, for it was the most unfortunate of bridges and never stood firmly for fifty years at a stretch, but was forever being destroyed and regularly rebuilt. The waste of this flood was the signal for Philippe le Bel's rebuilding.—Hilaire Belloc's "Paris."

Points About a Good Horse.

There are some points which are valuable in horses of every description. The head should be proportionately large and well set on. The lower jaw bones should be sufficiently far apart to enable the head to form an angle with the neck, which gives it free motion and a graceful carriage and prevents it bearing too heavily on the hand. The eye should be large, a little prominent, and the eyelids fine and thin.

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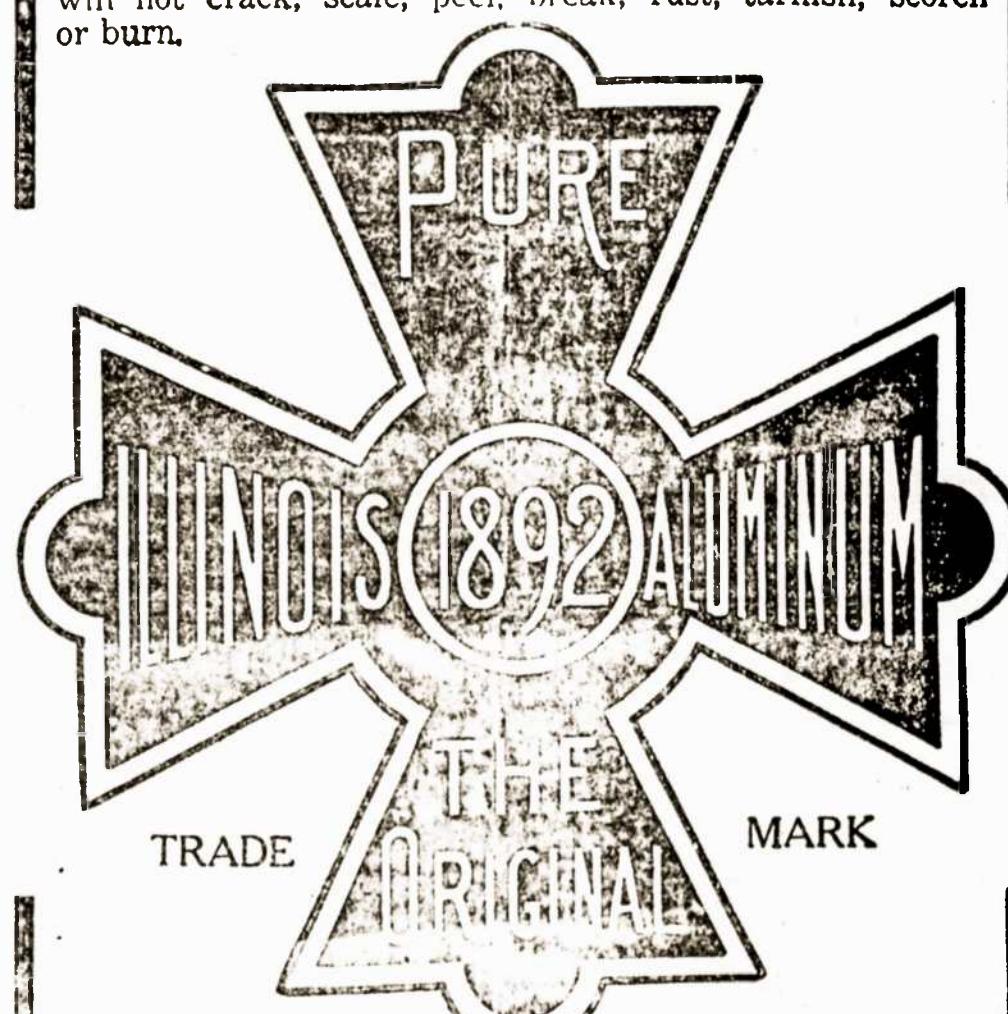
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Church Notes

The Rev. Arthur E. Wilson, pastor elect, will preach in the Unitarian Church Sunday.

The children will furnish special music at the North Church next Sunday morning. A praise service will be held in the evening.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Young People's Society, of the Congregational Church, will be held in the Parish House March 29.



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Additional Locals

Dr. C. I. Scofield is at the Northfield. Mark McLean has been trapping this winter and has caught 4 skunks, 14 muskrats, and this week caught a mink — all without interfering with a good standard in the high school. Roger Warner is also quite a trapper.

Miss Grace Hammond, who lived with Mrs. Butterfield in Crane Cottage and has many friends in town, was married on March 18 to D. H. Rhoades of Newfane, Vt.

A team load of appraisers were at work on the Albert Stratton estate last Monday.

Mrs. Frank Spencer and her daughter Mrs. Chas. F. Bitters reached town on Monday for a visit.

At the meeting of the Grange last Tuesday evening excellent papers were presented by T. R. Callender and Forest Estabrook. Music was furnished by Wallace Holton and Miss Dorothy Clapp.

Mrs. T. R. Callender is visiting relatives in Allston, Mass.

Miss Isabel Newton spent the past week with Mrs. John Reed in Brattleboro.

Miss Alice Crittenden of Shelburne Falls, a former teacher in our schools, is visiting at F. E. Atwood's.

Miss Marion Howard has accepted a position as teacher of primary school in Putney for one year. She received a two years certificate as result of her examination.

The building committee of the Sons of Veterans met last night, but no definite action could be taken until the regular meeting April 5.

Thomas Quinlan, of Orange, N. J., is visiting his uncle Thomas Quinlan on Main St.

Mrs. A. L. Newton is recovering from a light attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Edward Ball and Ray Stratton will return tomorrow from a visit in New Haven, Conn.

The Northfield Minstrels will repeat their performance, with changes, on the evening of April 1. New jokes, new songs, new stunts. Don't think because you saw the last show you can afford to miss this one. Proceeds for benefit of Sons of Veterans building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert N. Kellogg, of New York, are here with their household goods to take possession of their new home, the N. D. Alexander property on Main St. We welcome them to beautiful Northfield.

Northfield Farms

Allan Hammond of Readsboro Falls, brother of Henry Hammond, was a recent guest at J. L. Hammond's.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bancroft have recently visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Leach.

The Marietta will meet with Mrs. Josephine Howe on March 30.

The Benevolent Society met last Wednesday with Mrs. Henry Montague.

There will be an Easter concert at No. 3 school house Sunday evening March 27 given by the Sunday School.

Henry Hammond is working at J. Fisher's.

Mrs. Ida Howe has been in Hawley helping care for Mr. Howe's mother who is quite sick.

Miss Adelia Howe comes home next Saturday for her Easter vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Parker and son Ernest visited in Holden and Worcester the past week.

The play given by twelve ladies was exceptionally fine each one doing their part well. The solos by Frances and Doris Cavanaugh, Ernest Nash and Frank Montague were especially well rendered.

Miss Lottie Evans has been visiting her sister Mrs. Chas. Gilbert.

There will be a dance at Union Hall on April 1 under new management.

A Bird's White Feathers.

The occurrence of white feathers in a bird's plumage is very common. It is, of course, due to lack of coloring matter and is liable to appear in both young and old birds. I have known of several old birds to exhibit this peculiarity (mostly in the wing feathers), however, and it may be due to imperfect nutrition and circulation as the bird ages. I have also noticed it in young birds in a number of instances. The phenomenon thus cannot be said to occur simply as a result of old age, but is rather one of those slight changes in the bird's system the causes of which we do not know. There is this much more to be said, however—when a young bird starts out with a few white feathers they are usually retained throughout life, molting each time in a similar manner. Old birds may exhibit this loss of coloring at any time.—St. Nicholas.

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Mount Hermon.

At a recent meeting of the Hermonite Board the following men were chosen for next year's board: Editor-in-Chief, R. DeF. BoBoomer, 1911; literary editor, E. B. Merrill, 1911; Hermon-items, J. R. Scott, 1912; Alumni editor, J. C. Healey, 1911; exchange and college notes, J. Burtt, 1911; business manager, H. Barnbrook, 1912.

Mr. Cutler announced at a recent chapel service that hazing was to be immediately stopped. This decision was caused by the initiations held by the different societies. These he considered to be too rough.

Pres. W. H. P. Faunce of Boston University, who was announced to speak before the Saturday Club, was unable to be present on account of conflict in date. Dr. Rice of Wesleyan University took his place, and lectured on the Grand Canon. He also spoke at both morning and evening services on Sunday. The evening service was pronounced one of the best Palm Sunday services ever held. A special chorus of 70 voices under the direction of H. T. Dauphin sang two selections. P. Blackstone and H. F. Dauphin sang solos, and W. E. Armstrong played a cornet solo, accompanied by the organ.

The Philomathian literary society banquet which was held in Greenfield at the Weldon last Saturday proved a great success. Dinner was served to forty.

There were eleven honorary faculty members present, and three ex-Philos returned specially to attend.

E. E. Golden from Washington, D. C., O. G. Anderson from Amherst and W. B. Howes from Boston University Medical School.

The banquet was a specially enthusiastic one because it celebrated the winning of the alumni debate cup

as many times as the other two societies put together.

The preliminary contest held last Monday, for the Alumni prize debate,

in the Corporation room of Holbrook hall, resulted in the choice of the following seven of the twenty contestants:

H. Barnbrook, R. D. Malany, D. W. Salter, H. A. Dick, R. J. DuBois, D. S. Morrison and H. W. Kingsley as alternate.

The final debate will be held during graduation week.

At a recent meeting of the athletic association it was decided to forbid the

wearing of any letter or monogram by

any student not allowed to do so by the

faculty.

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Weeping Animals.

Travelers through the Syrian desert have seen horses weep from thirst. A mule has been seen to cry from the pain of an injured foot, and camels, it is said, shed tears in streams. A cow sold by its mistress, who had tended it from calfood, wept pitifully. A young soko ape used to cry with vexation if Livingstone didn't nurse it in his arms when it asked him to.

Wounded apes have died crying, and apes have wept over their young ones slain by hunters. A chimpanzee trained to carry water jugs broke one and cried, which proved sorrow, though it wouldn't mend the jug. Rats, discovering their young drowned, have been moved to tears of grief. A giraffe which a huntsman's rifle had injured began to cry when approached. Sea lions often weep over the loss of their young. Gordon Cumming observed tears trickling down the face of a dying elephant. And even an orangutan when deprived of its mango was so vexed that it took to weeping.

There is little doubt, therefore, that animals do cry from grief or weep from pain or annoyance.—Harper's Weekly.

The Laborer's Thanks.

A tram car was going down a busy street one day and was already comfortably full when it was hailed by a laboring man much the worse for liquor, who presently staggered along the car between two rows of well dressed people regardless of polished shoes and tender feet.

Murmurs and complaints arose on all sides, and demands were heard that the offender should be ejected at once.

But amid the storm of abuse one friendly voice was raised as a benevolent clergyman rose from his seat, saying:

"No, no! Let the man sit down and be quiet."

The discomfiture of the party turned to mirth when the drunken one seized his benefactor by the hand, exclaiming:

"Thank ye, sir—thank ye. I see you know what it is to be tight!"—London Answers.

Served Him Well.

During the early days of the career of William Allen White, when he was charged with the conduct of a country paper in Iowa, he one day received a call from an indignant contributor, who bitterly complained that matter of his, long before submitted, had not been published.

"Softly, my friend," said White in his most soothing tone. "Really I must offer my best thanks to you for those features. They have served me well.

From time to time when I get to thinking that this sheet is a pretty poor one to inflict upon a long suffering public I look up your stuff and read it carefully, a process which enables me to perceive how much worse my paper might be, whereupon I become real cheerful. Please don't take them from me."—Cleveland Leader.

The best rosebush, after all, is not that which has the fewest thorns, but that which bears the finest roses.—Henry Van Dyke.

SIRES AND SONS.

Mr. Asquith is the fortieth gentleman who has held the premiership of England since 1702.

Director Santelmann of the Marine band is treating himself to a new house on Connecticut avenue, Washington.

The tallest member of the new British parliament is Douglas B. Hall, the Unionist representative for the Isle of Wight, who is six feet five inches in height.

Robert Alphonso Taft, son of the president, won the 1910 vote as the best scholar in the senior class at Yale university. He had led the class during most of the course.

Joseph Tuffree of Marshalltown, Iowa, recently celebrated his one hundredth birthday anniversary by undergoing initiation into the local lodge of Elks. He is an active business man in spite of his years.

Sir William Huggins, the famous astronomer, recently celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday. The founder of the science of astrophysics, he has for more than sixty years devoted his life to the lore of the stars.

Dr. Lepage, the eminent Brussels surgeon, sent in his bill for \$20,000, his fee for the operation performed on King Leopold a few days before the king's death. The operation is said to have lasted only ten minutes.

Colonel A. D. Davidson, who has done as much to develop the industries of Canada as any other one man, is prominent in the company managing the mill on the Fraser river, a few miles from Vancouver, which is the largest producer of lumber in the world.

Manna Oberg, thirteen years old, is a hero of Lake Superior. Twice he has had to swim through icy waters to obtain aid for shipwrecked fishermen. His father, Captain Alex Oberg, skipper of a fishing smack, is exceedingly proud of his son, whom he treats as a chum.

Train and Track.

Canada's mileage of railways in actual operation increased last year by 1,188 miles.

Records recently filed show that the site for the Chicago Northwestern's new passenger depot at Chicago has cost \$12,000,000.

A new safety appliance for railroads is a machine to place torpedoes on a rail when a danger signal is set in foggy weather or in such a location that a derail could not be used.

A projected railway will start from Adrianople and go in as straight a line as possible to Rumeli Hisar, which is to be connected with Anatol Hisar by a suspension bridge. It will pass through the most fertile and most populous districts of Asia Minor and will be extended to Suleimanian, whence it will proceed through Persia to India.

A Medical Opinion.

"Doctor, how do you account for the existence of rheumatism?"

"The mind, my dear sir, evolved the disease to fit the word."—Chicago Tribune.